

New Piano Repairing Machinery arrived for
W. Robinson and Company.

No less than eight British marine officers and engineers left Shanghai by the *Mauretania*.

PRINCE Komatsu will assume the supreme command of the Japanese forces in China.

The construction of a Brennan torpedo station has been going on for some time at

in charge of the work, we understand, arrived in the Colony eighteen months ago for the express purpose of acting as

begin to arrive until three or four months ago. Some of the Home authorities must have blundered.

the Hongkong Football Club will play the Garrison under Rugby rules; Club in colours, Garrison in white; Kick-off at 4.45. The following will play for the

Anton, D. Landale, W. Waylen, three-quarters; H. J. Gedgo, P. B. Sheldon, halvor; G. H. Potts, (Captain), G. D. Sanders, P. A. Barlow, A. H. Barlow, C. C.

18 SECOND-HAND Pianos wanted for Export.
W. Robinson and Company.

It is reported from Tientsin that the foreigners in the Chinese service who took part in the fighting at Weihaiwei, had arrived there. Their salaries have been paid

have been notified that their services will be no longer required. The foreigners, of course, gave a pledge to the Japanese that they would not again take part in

required their dismissal. We are advised from Chefoo that Mr S. Kingsley, who had been acting as Harbourmaster at Weihai-

minutes after receiving the new appointment he was ordered to proceed from Chefoo to Tientsin.

are likely to be recommissioned abroad, says the *World*, because, sad as the story is, a ship that has been six to seven years on a foreign station comes dangerously near being

fashioned. Progress in these days in matters of armament, speed, and defence is almost unnaturally rapid. The *Pallas*, for instance, which has just returned from

mission, will cost at least 3,000*l*. to thoroughly modernise her. And yet she was quite new when she went out, and was constantly employed on difficult work, but

requires many alterations, although she obtained all but as good results in the way of speed on her paying-off as on her commissioning trial.

LAST night, fire broke out at 96 Bonham Strand, in a rattan and bamboo shop. The flames were first observed about eight o'clock, and although the Fire Brigade was

other buildings, the Brigade finding their work very much impeded by the dense smoke from the burning material. It was not till an advanced hour this morning that

the fire was extinguished, and only after several houses were considerably destroyed by fire and water, of which latter, fortunately, there was a plentiful supply. The damage

ham Strand, \$4,000 in Messrs Schellhas and Co., (total loss; the renewing premium was paid only on Saturday); 93, Bonham Strand, \$7,000 in Messrs Sander and Co.

and \$15,000 in Messrs Siemssen and Co (partially damaged by fire and water); 90 \$5,000 in Messrs Schellhaas and Co.; 127 Jernois Street, \$7,000 in Messrs Sander

and Co.; and 123 and 125, \$11,000 in Messrs Schellhass and Co. The basement of 92, Bonham Strand is insured in Messrs David and Co. The origin of the fire is

New Comic Song and Dance Albums, a
W. Robinson and Company.

There is still considerable doubt with regard to the actual situation at the Pescadores. Telegrams have been received by private firms confirming the statements that

occupied by Japanese ships, but the latest news from Renter is that the Japanese have been repulsed at Makung, which is apparently the most important point

among these islands. The news as to Iamsui is definite enough. Several private telegrams have been received stating that the Chinese are taking precautions to pro-

torpedoes across the entrance to the Harbour. Vessels trading to the North Formosan port must anchor outside and discharge cargo into lighters, which will

that few vessels will include Tamsui in their usual run. No news of the presence of Japanese in North or South Formosa has been received. We have heard of

one big deal in camphor that has been made within the last few days in anticipation of dislocation of trade between Formosa and the mainland, and it is evident

are experiencing a Japanese occupation.

things which were too heavy for
to carry away. The people are, in
quence, in great pain, and distress.

aged foreign affairs. Indeed, very much, in time, and in courtesy, win the year, and the time has spoken, the time has spoken, the time has spoken.

prizes for the successful lady
to choose from; (3rd) The 500
range and the completion of the
plan and Aggregate events.

...to Shanghai by the tug-boats *Paula*,
...and *Rocket*. The *Tiffin* broke the
...in the Manchester Canal but it was
...at Suz. — *N. G. Daily News*.

Numerous torpedoes are being laid at the neck of the island of Amoy, and guns are

OBITUARY.
London, March 3.—Sir Joseph D. Wilson, Liberal member for Bristol, is dead.

Highest open air temperature on the 26th. 100.0
 Lowest open air temperature on the 26th. 58.0
 F. U. Froe
 First Assistant
 Hongkong Observatory, March 26,

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